

November 11, 2000

Ms. Lillie M. Thornton
523 Florida St.
Greenville, MS 38703

Dear Mrs. Thornton,

I was deeply saddened by the death of your husband, Representative Jimmy Thornton. All of Mississippi stands silent today. Not only have we lost a friend, we have lost one of our finest public servants.

Representative Jimmy Thornton set an example for all of us. He fought for what he believed in. He fought to make a difference not only for his constituents, but for all Mississippians. We all owe Representative Thornton a debt of gratitude.

Representative Thornton will be remembered in the tears and the laughter of his family, his friends, and his colleagues. I will do my best to ensure that the inspiration and dignity that he brought to his office will not be lost in death, but remembered by the living.

I will keep the entire Thornton family in my thoughts and prayers. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

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